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 Mrs. Katherine Howard
 Acting Administrator
 Federal Civil Defense Administration
 Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Howard:

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It is suggested that you designate a representative, cleared for Top Secret material, to meet with a representative of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare and representatives of this Agency to discuss Soviet biological warfare capabilities and intentions and the method of keeping you informed of future intelligence on this subject.

Please be assured of my continuing cooperation and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
 Director

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Robert Amory, Jr. *W*
Deputy Director, Intelligence

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